



Arkansas Milk Production, Cattle, Goat, and Sheep Report

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Quarterly Milk Production Down 7 Percent in Arkansas U.S. Cattle, Sheep and Goat July 1 Inventories Down from 2009

Arkansas milk production during the April-June 2010 quarter was 43 million pounds, down 7 percent from the same period in 2009, but up 5 percent from the January-March quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms was unchanged from the previous quarter and unchanged from the same quarter last year. Nationally, milk production continues to increase from last year, however, the number of milk cows declined slightly.

All cattle and calves in the United States as of July 1, 2010, totaled 100.8 million head, down 1 percent from July 1, 2009. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 40.8 million, were down 1 percent from the 41.4 million on July 1, 2009; beef cows were down 2 percent, and milk cows were down 1 percent from July 1, 2009. The 2010 calf crop is expected to be 35.4 million, down 1 percent from 2009.

On July 1, 2010, all goat inventory in the United States totaled 3.67 million head, down 1 percent from the previous July. Milk goat inventory was up 1 percent to a total of 390,000 head, while meat goat inventory was down 2 percent to a total of 3.11 million head. All sheep and lamb inventory in the United States on July 1, 2010, totaled 6.90 million head, down 2 percent from July 1, 2009.

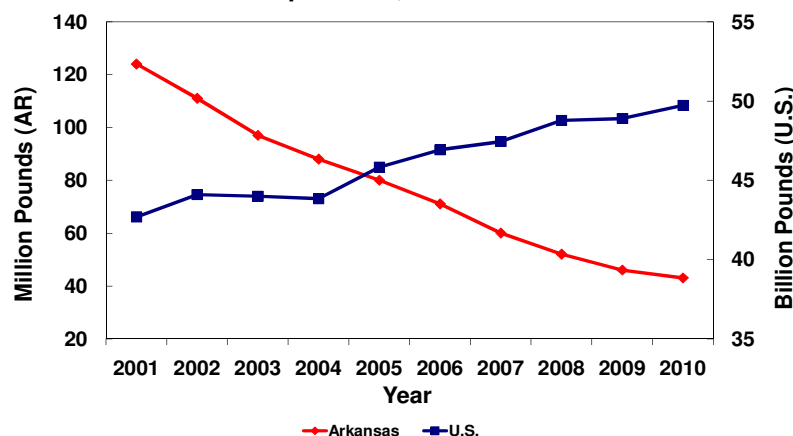
Milk Cows and Production: by Quarter, Arkansas, and U.S., 2008-2010

Item/Period	Arkansas				United States			
	2008	2009	2010	% Change from '09	2008	2009	2010	% Change from '09
Milk Cows¹	<i>1,000 Head</i>				<i>1,000 Head</i>			
1st Quarter, Jan - March	16.0	13.5	13.0	- 4	9,285	9,295	9,091	- 2
2nd Quarter, April - June	15.0	13.0	13.0	-	9,315	9,262	9,111	- 2
3rd Quarter, July - Sept	14.0	13.0			9,329	9,155		
4th Quarter, Oct - Dec	14.0	13.0			9,331	9,090		
Milk Production²	<i>Million Pounds</i>				<i>Million Pounds</i>			
1 st Quarter, Jan- March	52	43	41	- 5	47,609	47,374	47,352	- <0.5
2 nd Quarter, April - June	52	46	43	- 7	48,768	48,888	49,724	+ 2
3 rd Quarter, July - Sept	41	38			46,870	46,793		
4 th Quarter, Oct - Dec	41	37			46,735	46,265		

¹ Average number for the period includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk nursed by calves.

Milk Production: Arkansas and U.S., April-June, 2001-2010



Cattle and Calves: Number by Class and Calf Crop, U.S., July 1, 2008-2010

Class ¹	2008	2009	2010	% Change from '09
	1,000 Head			
All Cattle and Calves	103,300	102,000	100,800	- 1
All Cows and Heifers that have calved	42,000	41,400	40,800	- 1
Beef Cows	32,650	32,200	31,700	- 2
Milk Cows	9,350	9,200	9,100	- 1
All Heifers 500 pounds and over	16,300	16,200	16,100	- 1
Beef Replacement Heifers	4,600	4,500	4,400	- 2
Milk Replacement Heifers	3,900	3,950	4,050	+ 3
Other Heifers	7,800	7,750	7,650	- 1
Steers 500 Pounds and Over	14,700	14,400	14,300	- 1
Bulls 500 Pounds and Over	2,100	2,100	2,100	-
Calves Under 500 Pounds	28,200	27,900	27,500	- 1
Cattle and Calves on Feed ²	12,200	11,600	12,000	+ 3
Calf Crop	2008	2009	2010	% Change from '09
	1,000 Head			
	Calf Crop During Year	36,153	35,819	35,400

¹ Totals may not add due to rounding.

² Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. Cattle and calves on feed are included in the cattle inventory estimates by class.

Goats, Sheep and Lambs: Number by Class, U.S., July 1, 2008-2010

Animal & Class	2008	2009	2010	% Change from '09
	1,000 Head			
All Goats	3,800	3,710	3,665	- 1
Angora	230	165	165	-
Milk	370	385	390	+ 1
Meat	3,200	3,160	3,110	- 2
All Sheep and Lambs	7,270	7,050	6,900	- 2